

NEW BOOKS.

The Coast of Chance

By Esther and Lucia Chamberlain.

An exciting story of to day. The scene is laid in San Francisco and the parties are of high social standing.

A ring valued at seventy-five thousand dollars is stolen under very mysterious conditions.

A young girl with no one she can trust, is placed in a very trying position.

The story ended in the May number of Putnam's and The Reader and those familiar with that excellent magazine will know at once that it is a good story for they use nothing but first-class material.

Published by Bobbs-Merrill Co., Indianapolis, Ind. Price \$1.50.

The Girdle of the Great.

By John Jordan Douglass.

A strong, stirring, realistic story of life in the South by a Southern writer who knows it first hand writes of it with fidelity and brilliancy.

"The Girdle of the Great" touches the key-note that announces a new era in the order of things in the Southland.

The story sets forth the South's great race problem in a new and striking manner.

The reader may not agree with all the views of the author, but he will not throw the book aside in silence nor "dam it with faint praise."

Published by the Broadway Publishing Co., New York. Price \$1.50.

The Romance of the Reaper.

By Herbert N. Casson.

This book was issued as a serial in Everybody's Magazine. It is really a history of the development of agriculture during the last eight years and vividly portrays the results which been accomplished by labor-saving machinery. It also shows that a great industry has grown up in the United States, and how, by concentrating plants and resources and manufacturing on large scale, Americans are able to make the best machines at a low cost and sell them in every country on the globe.

It is a direct reply to Bismarck's question—"Why don't we make these machines in Germany?"

Published by Doubleday, Page & Co., New York. Price \$1.10.

Stars of the Opera.

By Mabel Wagnalls.

This is a new and enlarged edition of this author's earlier work bearing the same title.

In this edition will be found portraits and recent interviews with the great strars in the operatic firmament, including Mmes. Calve, Nordica, Eames, Sembrich, Melba, Lehmann and Geraldine Farrar.

A synopsis of the plots and music of popular operas is also given. It gets beyond the librettos and helps one feel the emotions that surge through these mighty harmonies of the master composers.

Published by Funk & Wagnalls, New York. Price \$1.20.

The Castle of Dawn.

By Harold Morton Kramer.

A story of love, recklessness, intrigue, bravery and final good fortune crowning as wild an episode as was ever shared by a handsome young man and woman.

The "Castle" is in the Ozark

Mountains, where the hero and heroine find their fortunes cast under the most romantic and puzzling circumstances, while the tragic events, which crowd each other, will not let the reader rest when once begun.

Published by Latbrop, Lee & Shepard Co., Boston. Price \$1.50.

Nannie Walters.

By Allie Sloper.

The story of a little girl who lost her mother just after that parent had married the second time.

The book contains a petition to the Order of the Eastern Star asking that the ritualistic ceremonies be amended to permit candidates of the Jewish faith to consistently subscribe to the order.

Published by J. S. Ogilvie, New York.

Ralph Fabiu's Mistake.

By S. O' H. Dickson.

Ralph Fabiu, during his college career, makes a mistake which his father sees in worst light and much over it.

He starts life anew but everywhere the story in its worst form, follows him, causing him great sorrow but with a few faithful friends he wins out in the end.

Published by Broadway Publishing Co., New York. Price \$1.00.

The Master Influence.

By Thomas McKean.

The plot is laid in New York City. The heroine is a fascinating young lady who believes immune from love. Her mother is an up-to-date society woman, very ambitious for her daughter to marry well. The girl is more interested in hospital work, music, politics, etc., than in society.

It contains three illustrations in colors, nicely bound, is pleasing to the eye within or without.

Published by J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia. Price \$1.50.

Dorothy's Double.

By G. A. Henty.

An English story of a great deception. Mr. Hawtry is a wealthy land owner who incurred the hatred of one named Truscott, the son of a former steward, by not appointing him to his father's office.

His plots for revenge are many and deep laid and hold the reader's interest to the end.

Published by Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago. Price 60c.

The Girl and the Game and Other College Stories.

By Jesse Lynch Williams.

Some of the characters in this book have appeared in one or two other books heretofore. If you have read "Princeton Stories" or "The Adventures of a Freshman" you will be glad to meet "Polar" Stacy and "Deacon" Young again.

In the later pages of the volume college life is dealt with from the stand point of our ex-graduates, who think he is all wise on the subject. He gives his "kid" brother much advice on the first day at college, having, trying for the team, concerning the "nicest fellow," horse-play and many other subjects in a somewhat sententious way, but he means well.

It is an altogether enjoyable book.

Published by Chas. Scribners' Sons New York. Price \$1.50.

The Sunbonnet Baby's Primer.

By Eulalie Osgood Grover.

A book about Molly and May, two Sunbonnet Babies. In it

they do the things and see the sights that real boys and girls do and see at the happy age of five or six.

It is intended as the first book to be given the child beginning to read.

The quaint little figures and the dainty colors catch the children's eyes and interest them at once.

Published by Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago. Price 40 cents.

The Overall Boys.

By Eulalie Osgood Grover.

The author of the "Sunbonnet Babies" gives us another little book to follow the story of Molly and May. Four jolly little boys at their work and play cannot fail to charm the tots in the first year work.

It is illustrated in color and the little characters are as quaint as the Kate Greenaway figures or Palmer Cox's Brownies. Published by Rand, McNally & Co. Price 40 cts.

Handbook of Composition.

By Edwin C. Wooley, Ph. D.

This is very helpful and valuable little volume for anyone to have in a convenient place for reference. It is practical, compact and concise, carefully outlined and carefully indexed. It contains nothing superfluous, but a wealth of information upon some of the most troublesome primary features in English construction.

It will undoubtedly fill an important place in the teaching of composition, and prove serviceable to students in all grades.

Published by D. C. Heath & Co., Chicago.

The History of the Robins.

By Mrs. Sarah Trimmer.

This is one of the earliest books devoted to the teaching of kindness to animals and is well in line with the highest standard of to today.

The book refers to the English Robin Redbreast which is similar to our American Robin.

The story of Dickay, Pecksy and Flapsy is a favorite with English speaking children and this edition is both cheap and pretty.

Published by D. C. Heath & Co.

Price 20 cts.

The Wonderful Chair and the Tales it Told.

By Frances Browne.

This was a great favorite with that popular writer, Frances Hodgson Burnett, when she was but a child. It has been out of print for years but after Mrs. Burnett attained her place as a writer she still remembered some of these stories but she did not know the name of the book or its author. After a diligent search, she found them and we are glad that they are to be procured for they are worthy of a place in the juvenile library.

Published by D. C. Heath & Co., Chicago.

Price 30 cts.

Lisbeth Longbrock.

By Hans Aanrud, Translated by Laura E. Poulsen.

Hans Aanrud's short stories are considered by his countrymen as belonging to the most original and artistic life pictures produced by the younger writers of Norway.

The story centers about the life of a little peasant girl on a Norwegian farm.

The illustrations were by a Norwegian artist and were made in Norway.

Published by Ginn & Co., Chicago.

Price 45 cts.

Moni, the Goat Boy and Other Stories

By Johanna Spyri.

This has been translated from the German by Edith F. Kunz. It has for years delighted the children of Switzerland. Its author is to these little people what Louisa M. Alcott is to American children.

Lovers of "Heide" will be glad to welcome another book by the same author.

Published by Ginn & Co., Chicago.

Price 40 cts.

Book of Plays for Little Actors.

By Emma L. Johnston and Madeline D. Barnum.

These plays are intended to give little school children a great deal of pleasure as well as to train them in expressive oral reading and intelligent silent reading.

Most of the plots have been borrowed from nursery classics. Little plays for Washington's Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Thanksgiving Day, Arbor Day and Fourth of July will furnish appropriate plays for school room celebrations.

Published by The American Book Co., Chicago.

Four American Indians.

By Whitney and Perry.

The life stories of these famous Indian chiefs, King Philip, Tecumseh, Pontiac and Osceola, are replete with stirring incidents, showing courage, determination and sacrifice.

Their lives of danger and daring are given in stories which are especially suited to children.

The important part they played in the early days of our country made their history a valuable addition to the regular school history.

Published by The American Book Co., Chicago.

Price 50 cts.

Animals at Home.

By Lillian Bartlett.

This book acquaints children with a form of nature study both instructive and entertaining.

It presents stories of home life of many different kinds of animals, some familiar and others unknown to us except as we see them behind bars.

Published by The American Book Co., Chicago. Price 45 cents.

Stories From the Land of Sunshine.

By Eleanor Riggs.

A beautiful book of lovely stories of the Sunny South.

Ten trees or plants of that locality are described and a little story told in connection with the description.

Published by The American Book Co., Chicago. Price 35 cents.

Adventures of Deerslayer.

Retold by Margaret N. Haight.

Stories of the American Indian and his surroundings have a fascination for the American boy and girl.

Cooper's "Leather Stocking Tales" are brimful of the most absorbing and exciting adventures of the savages and pioneers of our country.

Many lengthy descriptions, much moral discussion and many unnecessary details are left out in the retelling for the reader comprehension and interest of the young readers.

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E. A. Thompson was, with Shelbyna friends Sunday.

Mrs. O. W. Willard is visiting loved one at LaGrange.

C. L. Chadwick, of St. Louis observed Memorial Day in this city.

Dr. Pearl Abell of Palmyra, was with Monroe friends Sunday.

Mrs. F. L. Pettit, of Macon arrived Sunday to visit friends in this city.

Mrs. Edward Longmire went to New London, Saturday to visit relatives.

Dr. John R. Dawson was a business visitor in the Gem City Saturday afternoon.

Nick Griffith and William Baynum were business visitors in the Gem City Friday.

Mrs. James Medcalf, of Woodland has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edward Longmire.

Dr. T. C. Brown of Clarence, was with his friend, Dr. W. T. Rutledge, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Joshua Hutchison, of Tulsa, has been the guest of her friend, Miss Ruby Hord.

Charles Headrick left for St. Joseph, Saturday and may remain there during the summer.

Mrs. J. T. Headrick, of Shelbyville arrived Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Luther Moss.

Roy Penn, of St. Louis, came up Saturday to visit his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Thompson Penn.

Misses Nan Buckman and Alice Ayers went to Hannibal Saturday afternoon to visit relatives.

Editor B. Dunlap, of the Hunnewell Graphic was with friends in this city Sunday afternoon.

Misses Gladys and Aileen Pettit, of Macon, arrived Saturday to visit their friend, Miss Amie Green.

Miss Stella Mackey, of Palmyra has been the welcome guest of her friends, A. Boulware and wife.

Misses Neva Hawkins and Edna Gentry went to Shelbyville Friday to visit the family of George A. Hawkins.

Miss Anna Jacobs of Clarence, arrived Saturday afternoon to attend the Hugel-Lear nuptials Tuesday.

E. Graves, one of the professors in the Salisbury Academy, has been the guest of his friend, Victor H. Spaulding.

Mrs. Isaac Melson and daughter, Miss Oka, of Hannibal, have been spending several days in the city and south of the city with relatives.

Charles Burgen and wife, of Moline Kan., arrived Saturday to pay Mrs. Burgen's sister, Mrs. George Green a nice long visit.

Mrs. William Streat of Paris, and Miss Goldie Johnson of Garden City, Kan., have been the guests of John W. Streat and family.

Prof. C. O. Ramsey, Supt. of schools at Phillipsburg, Kansas has been visiting his little daughter, who is being care for by her aunt, Mrs. C. L. Elzea.